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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yoshio SHIMIZU Conf.: 2107
Appl. No.: 10/002,123 Group: 1761
Filed: December 5, 2001 Examiner: UNASSIGNED
For: CONVEYER-BELT SUSHI CONTROL SYSTEM CAPABLE OF
CONTROLLING AMOUNT OF SUSHI

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

April 22, 2002

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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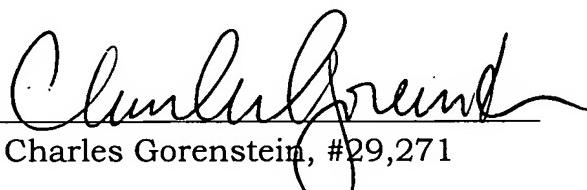
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INDEPENDENT	7	-	3	=	4	\$ 42	\$168.00
<u>— FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM</u>						\$140	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$168.00

- Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- No fee is required.
- Check(s) in the amount of \$168.00 is(are) enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to the initial Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please amend claims 1, 5 and 6 as follows:

Claim 1. (Amended)

A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt, comprising:

a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi;

a counting means for commencing counting of an amount of sushi distributed by said conveyer belt, in response to a detection output of said

detection means; and

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